

Governor's Cup Mine Rescue Contest 2010 Statement

I am _____, Superintendent of Old Dominion Coal Company. You are located underground at the fresh air base. This fresh air base was established a short time ago when conditions prevented us from advancing further without breathing apparatus.

At 7:30 AM today, a five-man crew traveled to this section to perform some cleanup work and produce coal. Around 10:00 AM, the crew called the surface to report that they had cut into an old mine. We have not heard from the crew since. All other miners have been safely evacuated from the mine.

Power is supplied up to the pump switches in the fresh air base.

This mine does liberate methane. Water problems along with poor roof conditions were encountered as this section was developed. Water accumulations in the no. 2 entry 1 crosscut inby the fresh air base will roof immediately if the pump is turned off.

Ventilation is currently traveling up #1 heading, across the fresh air base and off the section down the #3 heading. Temporary stoppings have been built across no. 1, 2 and 3 entries just inby the fresh air base. The exhaust fan located on the surface is being monitored continuously. It can not be turned off or reversed.

All required federal and state mining agencies have been notified and they have representatives present at the mine. Several back-up mine rescue teams are present at the mine.

A Command Center has been established on the surface of the mine and will function to coordinate information and instructions to and from the team as you work.

**We have a competent lifeline judge available (point out).
The mine map is not up to date.
This is all the information we have.**